Center for People With Disabilities

May 21, 2018

Project staff met with staff from the Center for People with Disabilities (CPWD) on May 21, 2018.

The underpass concepts and on-street improvement designs were discussed and feedback was requested on both, as well as any additional information or thoughts the project team should consider as the project progresses.

Staff shared that safety is of the utmost concern for CPWD and their community. Time, specifically regarding traffic and pedestrian signal timing, is a key factor in safe crossing onstreet—with longer times being factored into the signal timing to accommodate slower moving individuals.

Audible pedestrian signals and a protected intersection were requested for the 30th & Colorado intersection.

Ongoing maintenance, specifically winter snow and ice removal, was important, as a lack of it can be an impediment to those with mobility impairments.

Wide sidewalks, up to 8-feet wide if possible, were requested to accommodate the range of users and mobility needs.

Signing and striping should be designed for those with low vision which would also aid in providing cues, especially in conflict areas.

Transit stops should have amenities appropriate to today's the projected future use, recognizing these are high frequency transit service corridors.

If a new or unique underpass and/or on-street improvements are constructed, CPWD staff suggested providing education campaigns and "walk-abouts" to train the public and those with mobility impairments on how to assist.